

HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ____

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A HOUSE RESOLUTION Urging the Congress of the United States of America to fund missions, organizations, and commissions lead by Afghan women that work toward establishing the rights of Afghan women as equal participants in the Afghan society.

Whereas, The women of Afghanistan have for years been denied basic human rights, under a dictatorial and repressive governmental regime;

Whereas, Women were treated like slaves, with no ability to speak, work, study, travel, communicate, or even show their faces in public;

Whereas, The effect of this repression was devastating, resulting in depression, hopelessness, public execution, and suicide;

Whereas, This repressive regime has been toppled, and a new government has been formed, offering hope that women will once again be welcomed as full citizens in Afghanistan;



Whereas, An organized effort is needed to help the women of Afghanistan reclaim their rightful place in their society, and to help the new regime recognize the positive contributions that women will make toward the successful rebuilding of their country;

Whereas, The United States government has pledged support to Afghanistan as it rebuilds, Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the
General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. The Indiana House of Representatives urges the Congress of the United States of America to fund missions, organizations, and commissions lead by Afghan women that work toward establishing the rights of Afghan women as equal participants in the Afghan society.

SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the Indiana House of Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to First Lady Laura Bush, the United States Congress and each member of the Indiana Congressional delegation.

